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Applicant : H. RINGHOFF et al. Confirmation No. 5503

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For : TIRE BUILDING ARRANGEMENT AND METHOD

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.112

Commissioner for Patents
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Customer Window, Mail Stop Amendment
Randolph Building
401 Dulany Street
Alexandria, VA 22314
Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of December 29, 2006, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections made therein are respectfully requested, in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Inasmuch as the three-month shortened statutory period set in the office action expired on March 29, 2007, Applicant hereby requests an extension of one (1) month, i.e., from March 29, 2007 to April 30, 2007 and is concurrently filing a formal Request for Extension of Time, together with all requisite fees therefore. If for any reason the Request for Extension of Time is not associated with the file, or the fee submitted herewith is deemed insufficient for any reason, authorization is hereby given to charge any fees necessary to preserve the pendency of this application to deposit account No. 19-0089.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2; and

Remarks begin on page 14.